

POT CREEK ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION MEETING

County Commissioners' Conference Room, Second Floor
State and County Offices, Vernal, Utah
February 19, 1985

The meeting opened at 6:09 p.m. under the direction of Richard Hall, Distribution Engineer of the Utah Division of Water Rights.

Mr. Hall read the minutes of the 1984 meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Wesley Signs. Seconded by Chad Crosby and carried.

Mr. Hall read the 1984 financial statement for the system. Then he described his proposal to place the total monies of all of the distribution systems in an investment checking account. Under this plan, a minimum balance would be kept in the checking portion with the remainder being temporarily placed in insured investments, thus earning interest (which would fluctuate monthly depending on the financial market and the balance of funds). The invested funds would not be tied up and would be transferred as needed to the checking portion. The interest would be divided up proportionately and credited to the various distribution system accounts. The motion was made by David Larson to accept the financial statement and to allow the Division of Water Rights to invest system monies and apportion the interest thereon. Seconded by Chad Crosby and carried.

David Larson gave the commissioner's report. Specific items included the construction of Morgan Lee's diversion with the assistance of the National Guard. The structure was designed by an engineer from the Division of Wildlife Resources. Blake Wahlen of the Division of Water Rights in Vernal will go out to locate the gage. During 1984, there was a leak in the dam at Matt Warner Reservoir with some deposition of sediment downstream, so water was released all summer. There was no charge to users, and the storage is down, but there will be no problem in filling the reservoir in the upcoming year. In fact, storage cannot be avoided as inflow exceeds the outlet capacity at times. The Dam Safety Section of the Division of Water Rights will check the structure this spring.

The motion to accept the report was made by Wesley Signs. Seconded by Chad Crosby and carried.

The motion to recommend David Larson or his replacement at the Division of Wildlife Resources as commissioner for 1985 was made by Wesley Signs. Seconded by Max Rasmussen and carried. Don Smith of the Division of Wildlife Resources in Vernal will send in the name of the candidate as soon as possible.

The budget for 1985 was set at \$300.00 for commissioner's services, \$30.00 for bonds and premiums, and \$20.00 for miscellaneous expenses for a total of \$350.00. The motion to accept the budget was made by Max Rasmussen.

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Seconded by Wesley Signs and carried. The motion to set the assessment at the same figure as the budget and assess based on 1983 deliveries was made by Wesley Signs. Seconded by Chad Crosby and carried.

After considerable discussion of the costs of billing and collecting \$1.00 each for stockwatering accounts as opposed to any benefits from these assessments, it was decided that these assessments should be omitted for 1985. The results of this procedure would then be reviewed and further action taken. The motion to remove the \$1.00 assessments for 1985 and review at the next meeting was made by Max Rasmussen. Seconded by David Larson and carried with one abstention.

The meeting adjourned without further business at 6:50 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

Chad Crosby, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
David Larson, Water Commissioner, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
Wesley Signs, Colorado State Engineer's Office
Max Rasmussen, Utah Water User
Richard Hall, Utah Division of Water Rights
Blake Wahlen, Utah Division of Water Rights, Vernal Office
John Colbert, Utah Division of Water Rights, Vernal Office
Marge Tempest, Utah Division of Water Rights

cc: Blake Wahlen
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